

## The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, for each of the past 40 years our nation has celebrated and honored our older citizens during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages across our state are making a difference in the lives of older Idahoans and those who care for them; and

WHEREAS, many of these older Idahoans are making a difference by giving to their communities and peers through volunteer activities; and

WHEREAS, today's older Idahoans are living longer, more vital lives than ever before, but many also are facing difficult challenges; and

WHEREAS, Idahoans believe these builders of our state's fundamental foundation of rights under the law should be protected from abuse and exploitation; and

WHEREAS, every citizen and community shares the opportunity and obligation to help ensure that older Idahoans live safely, independently and with dignity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2003, to be

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in Idaho, and I encourage Idahoans of all ages take this opportunity to make a difference in the life of an older American.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this first day of May in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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